

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A hard disk recorder having a time-shift playback function of storing a program being received, displaying the stored program such that the program is displayed from a section of the program among stored program sections, and pausing the display of the program or changing the display speed according to an operation by a user while the program is being watched, comprising:

a hard disk for storing said program being received; and

a control unit configured to respond to a channel-switch instruction by setting said hard disk in a pause state from which a storing operation can be started, setting said hard disk in a recording-wait state, ~~[[to]] switch~~ switching the channel, and, according to a determination that said hard disk is in the recording-wait state, setting said hard disk in a playback state.

2. (Currently Amended) A hard disk recorder configured to store a program being received and configured to display the stored program, comprising:

a hard disk for storing said program being received; and

a control unit configured to respond to a channel-switch instruction by setting said hard disk in a pause state from which a storing operation can be started, setting said hard disk in a recording-wait state, ~~[[to]] switch~~ switching the channel, and, according to a determination that said hard disk is in the recording-wait state, setting said hard disk in a playback state.

3. (Currently Amended) A method of controlling a hard disk of a recorder in response to an instruction to switch a channel, comprising:

setting the hard disk in a pause state;

setting the hard disk in a recording-wait state from the pause state;

switching the channel after setting the hard disk in the recording-wait state;

determining whether the hard disk is in the recording-wait state; and

setting the hard disk in a playback state if the hard disk has been determined to be in the recording-wait state.